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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
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3 Polypeptides and Methods for Producing the Polypeptides  
(As Amended)**  
Inventors: Jing-Shan HU *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1488.1040000/EKS/AJK

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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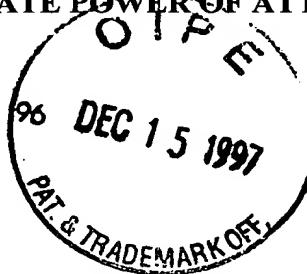
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